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There was an error in the Nov. 4 issue of the Collegian. Fred Logan of the Board of Regents was incorrectly identified as "Mark Logan" in the pull quote; however, his name was correctly stated in the body of the article. In the Nov. 7 issue of the Collegian, the article about the downtown fire was printed without a byline. The article was written by Karen Ingram, news editor. The Collegian regrets the errors. If you see something that should be corrected or clarified, please call editor-in-chief Tim Schrag at 785-532-6556, or news@spub.ksu.edu.

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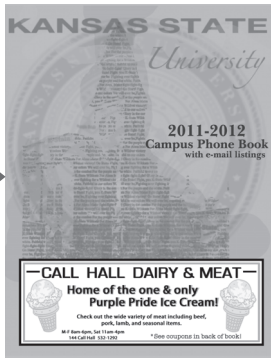
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K-State daily briefs

Karen Ingram
news editor

Military Appreciation Day will be celebrated at Sunset Zoo this Friday, Nov. 11 with free admission for everyone in honor of the military.

Manhattan Good Neighbors will be holding a community “Kickoff Clean Up” on Sunday, Nov. 13 from 1 to 3 p.m. beginning in Triangle Park in Aggieville. This community clean up will focus on the neighborhoods around campus to pick up trash leftover from football game day festivities. For more information, or to volunteer, visit mgn@ksu.edu or email mgn@ksu.edu.

There will be a Saxophone

Studio Recital by the students of Anna Marie Wytko on Thursday, Nov. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the All Faiths Chapel Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public.

Comedian and impressionist Brandon Styles will be giving a free performance for K-State-Salina students tonight at 5 p.m. in the College Center Cafeteria. Free dinner will be provided to students without a meal plan, courtesy of the Programming Board.

There will be a nation-wide test of the Emergency Alert System on Wednesday at approximately 1 p.m. All TV and radio stations across the country will be testing the EAS around this time.

President Schulz to address work session

Jakki Thompson
staff writer

At the city commission work session tonight, K-State President Kirk Schulz will be giving an update about K-State. The African-American Resources Survey will be presented to the commission at this work session. This survey will familiarize the city and the commissioners about the African-American cultural resources in Manhattan. The Manhattan Public Library will be presenting at the meeting with possible recommendations. These recommendations will be related to the structure, governance or funding of the library. The city administration requested the city commission discuss with the library board about any concerns or questions they may have. The meeting begins at 7.

THE BLOTTER ARREST REPORTS

SUNDAY

Ethan Lee Ericson, of Emporia, Kan., was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Miguel Gomez, of Liberal, Kan., was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license and unlawful transportation of an open container. Bond was set at \$2,000.

Christian Jamal Harris, of the 5400 block of Stone Crest Drive, was booked for no driver’s license. Bond was set at \$750.

Jamie Machele Beeks, of Houston, Texas, was booked for criminal damage to property. Bond was set at \$1,000.

MONDAY

James M. Millar, of Junction City, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$195.

Christie Faye Coleman, of the 1400 block of Flint Hills Place, was booked for driving under the influence, unlawful possession of hallucinogens and battery. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Compiled by Sarah Rajewski

Grad student’s Tumblr hits national spotlight

Alyssa Smith
The Badger Herald, University of Wisconsin

A University of Wisconsin graduate student and teaching assistant said she is shocked at the response her feminist blog has received, turning what began as a joke for her students into an overnight national sensation.

Danielle Henderson, a member of the Gender and Women Studies Department at the University of Wisconsin, created the Tumblr blog “Feminist Ryan Gosling,” which features pictures of the actor Ryan Gosling accompanied by information concerning popular feminist theories.

According to Henderson, her blog is a play off of the original “Hey Girl” meme, “F**k Yeah Ryan Gosling!”, another Tumblr site pairing Gosling with quirky sayings — often in regards to things he would like to do with women.

Henderson said the blog originated as a study tool to work through dense material. On her blog’s FAQ page, she explains she was just trying to keep track of the theorists she was studying and thought feminist flashcards would be a funny idea.

Henderson said she believed only a few people would see the blog when she first posted it.

“I created the Tumblr as a joke for my classmates,” Henderson said. “Juxtaposing serious intellectual pursuits with silly things kind of breaks down a wall and allows people to laugh at themselves a little bit.”

Since launching on Oct. 8, the blog has already an excess of more than 50,000 Facebook views with nearly 20,000 followers on Tumblr, according to the site.

It has also received national press attention, being featured on such news sites as the Huffington Post, Newsweek, CBS News and Jezebel, along with many others all listed on the blog’s

main page.

“It’s incredibly surprising to see such a reaction to the site,” said Henderson.

Henderson said despite the overwhelming positive reaction, she most enjoys when her students understand the posts, explaining they have a deeper connection to the jokes as students of feminist theory.

Kelly Fox, a fellow master’s student in the department at UW and a friend of Henderson’s, said she was equally surprised by the blog’s success.

Fox explained she and Henderson were joking when Henderson posted the blog, and by the next morning it had completely exploded.

Fox added she and Henderson were afraid viewers would not understand the feminist context of the posts and said it was great to see people understanding the blog’s humor. She added the blog is a great example of how feminist issues can be both fun and accessible.

Fox said she is especially excited the blog has allowed the UW masters program to gain national attention.

“One of my friends is famous for creating something we thought only five people would see,” she said.

The buzz of Henderson’s blog has also traveled to the UW Campus Women’s Center.

Ashley Walton-Stamps, the finance coordinator for CWC, said it has been a main topic of conversation among the coordinators there.

Walton-Stamps said she enjoys how the blog brings feminist issues to the forefront by using humor, unlike the harsh tones characterizing other feminist blogs.

Walton-Stamps said she believes it was a great approach to use Gosling, referring to him as “Hollywood handsome” and said it is the blog’s main comical aspect.

“We appreciate it and think it’s wonderful,” Walton-Stamps said.

Feminist Ryan Gosling

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College: time to try new things, step out of comfort zone



Balasubramany Meenakshisundaram

Life is but a collection of experiences that one acquires on a daily basis. The more diverse one's experiences, the fuller the life. What diversity could one possibly achieve out of the monotonous and mundane existence that most of us are so used to? I think if we want to have diverse experiences in life, we have to get out of this so-called comfort zone that we so fervently hold on to. We have to seriously start thinking outside the box and be brave enough to experiment. To do so, there is no better place than a college setting. With abundant activities to do both on and off campus, thronging cultural diversity in the form of students and reasonable time to spare, this is the perfect time to step out of the circle and go get some life experiences. Education is a big part of life, but a good education and a good career alone will not make life whole. Rekindling your lost creativity and trying out new things that you have never done before is a great way to start on the whole gaining life experience deal. In my time here at K-State, I did my bit toward this goal. Whether I did it by cautiously trying to step out of my comfort zone, or because I was at the right place at the right time, or because I had the resources to do so, I do not really know. I do not think it is important, either. I have always had a passion for singing. While I was overshadowed by far better singers in my class and school, and, later on, in my university, I got the opportunity to go onstage and sing here at K-State. Some performances went well and some not so much, but it is all a learning experience and I owe a special thanks to all those patient audiences for enduring my torture.

Writing for the Collegian

itself was a major experience for me. When I started out as an opinion columnist, I never thought I would write anything more than that one article I was asked to do. Neither did I know back then that I would be on the staff for the newspaper for over a year and write a lot more. Writing truly is a previously unknown aspect of my persona. I hope I can continue writing, even after I am done working for the newspaper. On that note, I used to write amateur poetry when I was in high school. I fell out of it when I entered college and I got a

chance to revisit my old passion here at K-State. Things that happened to me or to others around me inspired the words out of me and I poured them out as poetry. I am now a regular these days at Auntie Mae's Mighty Fine Poetry Night. I was also exposed to the hilarious world of stand-up comedy. Names like George Carlin, Russell Peters and Jim Breuer were new to me when I came to the U.S. and watched their shows on TV or the Internet. It fascinated me so much so that I traveled to Dallas, Texas, last year to watch Russell Peters live. It also kindled a deep desire within me to try my hand at it. My first attempt was at K-State's international talent show, but it didn't go well because my time was cut short and I was nervous, I guess. I

spoke too fast and my act was too distorted. Later on, I found the chance to try and get better at it again through Auntie Mae's Open Mic Night, which gave me a smaller, yet encouraging stage to try my funny side. I'm a lot less nervous now when I go on stage and I think that is a start. Finally, one thing I am really happy I got to do is to make a short film. I have always wanted to make movies and, thanks to some wonderful people, that dream was realized earlier this year. It might not be very professional, but it was my attempt and made me realize the amount of

time and effort that goes behind making a movie. I am most certainly hoping I would get a chance to do another one and develop in that area, too. This might sound like a long, drawn-out, bragging soliloquy, but that is exactly not what this is. I would be happy if one reader out there would take inspiration from this and go try something they have never tried before. One rekindled passion, one lost love realized, one deep craving sated and I would think my time writing this article was well spent. Good luck to you all.

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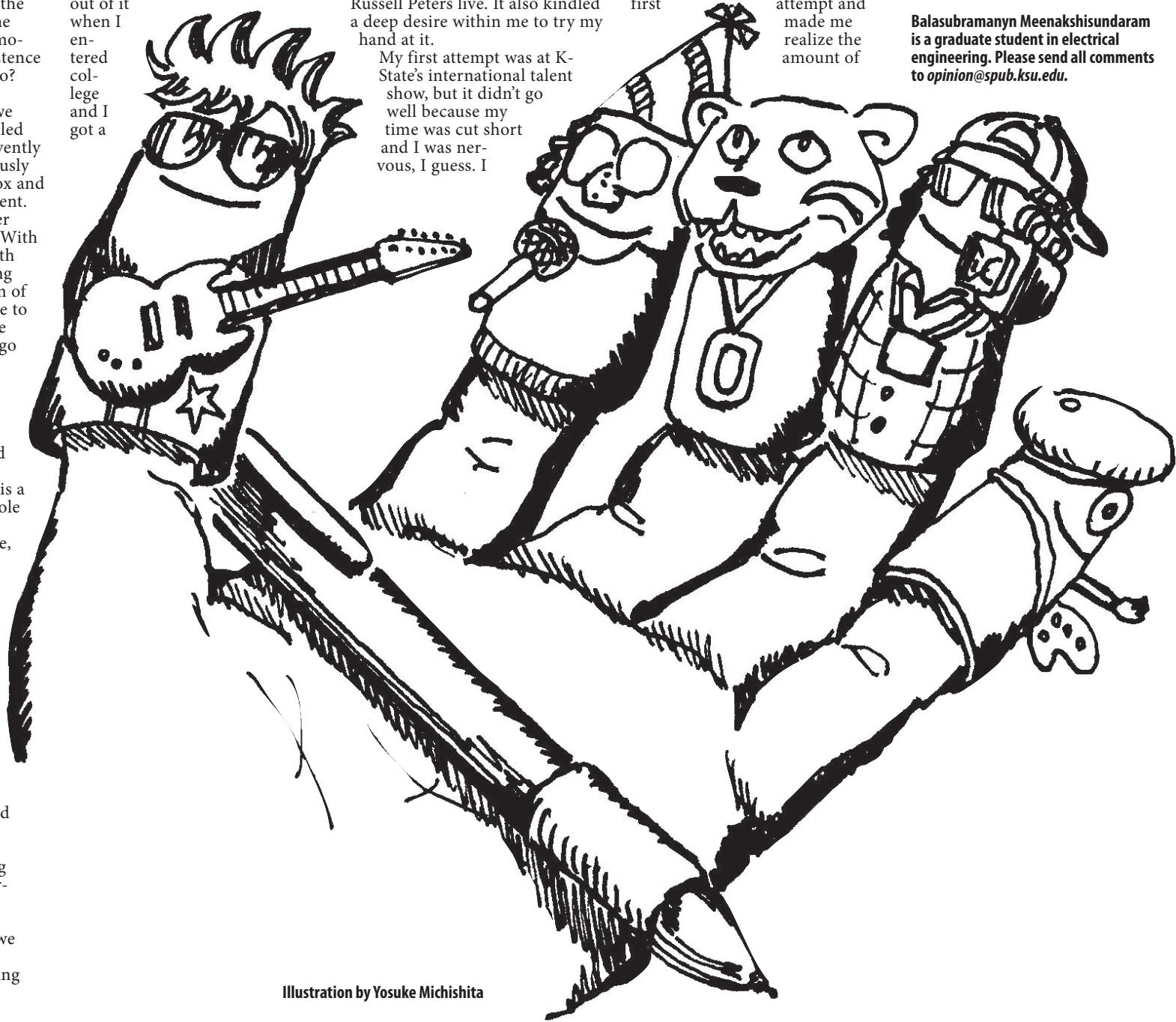
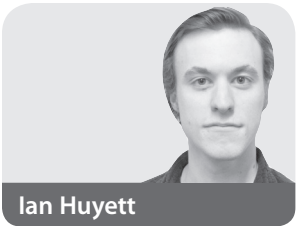


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Obama unwise to ignore marijuana petition



Ian Huyett

In September 2011, the Obama administration launched "We the People" – a program that allows anyone to submit a petition directly to the White House. The project was ostensibly intended to "make government more open and accountable to its citizens." A petition is displayed on WhiteHouse.gov when it garners 150 signatures, according to a Sept. 1 FedScoop article. When a petition accumulates 5,000 signatures, the White House issues an official reply. The petition "Legalize and Regulate Marijuana in a Manner Similar to Alcohol" was signed by 75,000 people. It rapidly eclipsed all its competitors and earned the highest slot on the White House website, according to an Oct. 31 article in the Wall Street Journal by Laura Meckler. Four other petitions calling for an end to marijuana prohibition also rocketed into the top 10. Rather than acknowledge the petition's legitimate concerns, the White House effectively ignored it. A dismissive and condescending reply from Obama drug czar Gil Kerlikowske trivialized the petition and turned a deaf ear to the tens of thousands of Americans who signed it. Talking about accountability, it seems, is easier than actually practicing it. Kerlikowske's reply cited only two scientific studies that directly attributed harmful effects to marijuana. To demonstrate that marijuana caused "cognitive impairment," Kerlikowske cited a 1996 study by Harrison Pope. Pope's study examined 65 college students, most of whom had smoked marijuana at least 27 out of the previous 30 days. According the National Institute on Drug Abuse, Pope found "the residual cognitive impairments detected in the study were not severe."

Kerlikowske also cites a 2008 ScienceDaily article that found marijuana smokers develop bullous lung disease faster than tobacco smokers. But Matthew Naughton, who conducted the study, concluded that this happens because marijuana is "held for as long as possible before slow exhalation" – not because of any property actually possessed by the plant. Kerlikowske would know this if he'd actually read the article he cited. It seems the best justification that Obama's drug czar can offer for continuing to waste billions of dollars mindlessly destroying marijuana is the manner in which it is traditionally smoked. Even if marijuana did cause one kind of lung damage faster than tobacco, using this as grounds for prohibiting it would still be unfathomably hypocritical. According to a Sept. 18, 2003, WebMD article by Daniel J. DeNoon, two large studies have found no correlation between marijuana use and mortality. Unlike Harrison Pope's science project, these extensive studies surveyed 65,177 and 45,450 people. Conversely, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that tobacco causes 443,000 deaths annually, or one in five

deaths in the United States. Combine all the deaths from HIV, illegal drug use, alcohol use, car accidents, suicides and murders and you'd still have fewer deaths than are caused each year by tobacco. Alcohol is the third leading cause of mortality, causing 75,000 deaths a year, according to a June 25, 2005, MSNBC article. Our government allows us to buy deadly substances like alcohol because it recognizes that prohibition simply diverts money to cartels that would otherwise go to legitimate businesses. Yet marijuana, apparently, is the magic exception to the rule. Our bloated monstrosity of a government is convinced it can eventually produce different results by doing the same thing over and over again. In its defense of marijuana prohibition, the White House claimed to recognize that "we are not going to arrest our way out of the problem." Yet roughly 45,000 state and federal prisoners are currently incarcerated for violating laws against marijuana, according to the National Organization for the

Reform of Marijuana Laws. Americans widely equate our prison system with what amounts to institutionalized sexual assault; it's difficult to imagine how the people our government wants to protect from improper smoke inhalation are safer in prison than out of it. But if most politicians didn't think this was the case, 45,000 Americans would no longer be in jail. The Reauthorization Act of 1998 legally requires the President's drug czar to "take such actions as necessary to oppose any attempt to legalize" any illegal drug. It's possible that even Kerlikowske recognizes that there is simply no conceivable reason to continue the futile disaster that has been marijuana prohibition. Its continued existence seems to stem from a lazy societal unwillingness to question and confront the status quo.

Ian Huyett is a junior in political science and anthropology. Please send all comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu.



Illustration by Erin Logan

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Know thine enemy

To the editor:

Among Tea Partiers and the Occupy Wall Street movement, mentions of Ayn Rand and her ideas have always been floating around. A spiritual adviser to President Obama, Jim Wallis, said recently, "I distrust a movement that lifts up [an] ... atheist - Ayn Rand — as their philosophical guide." Though he is probably not a Tea Partier, I presume his position is shared by many religious conservatives within that movement. On the other hand, the Occupy Wall Street crowd's disdain for capitalism pits them opposite the woman who penned "Capitalism: The Unknown Ideal." The criticisms and attacks persist, yet Rand remains relevant. Why? Ayn Rand was the author of two timeless fictional novels but her non-fiction work was equally prolific. She minted a new philosophy, objectivism, from the ideas she developed. Within that framework, the political-economic condition she advocated is laissez-faire capitalism. In a nutshell, the current political-economic system holds many captive by its complexity. Capitalism simplifies everything. Rather than attempting to govern the complexity with supercomputers and super-committees, the load is distributed to billions of individuals worldwide interacting freely with each other. It is uncontrollably efficient. Billions of decisions are calculated per second without the impositions of central planning. Individuals think for themselves, gain through productivity, lose by their mistakes. The essence of capitalism is personal responsibility, or more broadly, justice. Injustice is why people are camping in Manhattan to condemn the wealthy and marching on our capitol to oppose legislation. People sense injustice. Rand defines what justice is and explains how to achieve it.

Her skill at explaining economic justice has attracted conservatives among the Tea Party movement. Predictably, since she only relies on reason to validate her ideas, the religious are threatened by her anti-faith position. This leads them to pick and choose which of her ideas suit their needs. This is her connection to Libertarians and the Tea Party crowd. The Occupy Wall Street crowd are antagonistic. But why? Her logic didn't start offensively with, "How can I become rich?" or even, "What is the greatest good for the greatest number?" She started with, "How do I protect the individual?" From there she recognized capitalism as the only moral social system since it means protecting voluntary exchange among free individuals. Ironically, this is missed by the Occupy Wall Street crowd, who affix evil concepts to the word capitalism. They need to understand what it means before they vilify it. It would not allow a billionaire to be destroyed by a mob. It would not allow a broke-ass to be evicted for a development. Rich or poor, minority or majority — the individual is the standard. This is a mixed economy. Nobody can point to capitalism and say, "Look, here it is and it works," or, "Look, here it is and it is evil." It does not and has never existed in its pure form. Accepting that fact, Rand rose to the challenge illuminating capitalism time after time in public appearances and lectures. As unsettling as that was to many, she continued in the hopes that her ideas would lead eventually to individual liberty. Looking now at our contemporary protesters, want of individual protections are what they all have in common. That is why Rand's ideas are alive and well.

Mark Holton
Fourth-year architecture student
KSU Objectivist Club member

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What is something you have done or would like to do that is outside your comfort zone?

"I would sky-dive because I've always wanted to, even though I'm afraid of heights."



Kelsey Castanon, edge editor

"I would like to go bungee jumping. Heights really scare me, but it would push me out of my comfort zone, which is normally limited to the ground."



Abby Belden, copy editor

"I would like to go to a different country, a place where people do not speak the same language as I do, and see how I would handle it."



Mark Kern, sports editor

"Find happiness."



Karen Ingram, coverage editor

"Go to church and vote Republican. Just kidding, I don't want to do either of those things, but they are way out of my comfort zone."



Laura Thacker, opinion editor

"I'd like to try to be nicer to stupid people, but it's so hard."



Tim Schrag, editor-in-chief

"I don't like birds, so I would want to feed pigeons in Trafalgar Square."



Caroline Sweeney, managing editor

"Streaking."



Skye LeSage, design editor

"I'm very afraid of the ocean, but this summer me, my mom and brother went jet skiing in Florida to see dolphins. It was pretty scary but definitely worth it."



Lauren Gocken, photo editor

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Holly Grannis, social media editor

Countdown to ‘The Adding Machine’



Tommy Theis | Collegian
Cast members of “The Adding Machine” fine-tune their act in one of their last dress rehearsals before the big show on Nov. 10-12 at 7:30 p.m. in McCain Auditorium.

University of Arizona study finds black holes might destroy stars

Amer Taleb
Arizona Daily Wildcat, University of Arizona

On the rare event that a star gets too close to a black hole, gravity will pull the star unevenly on one of its sides. The stretching will continue until the star tears apart and shatters, said Dennis Zaritsky, a professor of astronomy in the Steward Observatory who co-authored the study. The study was published in the *Astrophysical Journal*.

After analyzing data from the Sloan Digital Sky Survey, a project that took images of the sky, a handful of objects were found that resembled stars being partially swallowed by a black hole. The process of a star being shredded and falling into a black hole is called a tidal disruption event, Zaritsky said.

Most of a star's matter spirals into the black hole where nothing, not even light, can escape. The remaining material was examined by a team of researchers.

Black holes are located near the center of the galaxy, which is where the star remains were found. Their location is strong evidence that these were indeed tidal disruption events, and not one of the many possibilities that resemble them, Zaritsky said.

After more analysis of the Sloan Digital Sky Survey's data of a few million galaxies, they settled on two tidal disruption events.

"Could there be some other kind of exploding star that we've never seen? Perhaps, but it would have to always happen at the center of galaxies," Zaritsky said. "Then again, the universe is usually weirder than you think."

People have been looking for tidal disruption events for at least the last decade, Zaritsky said.

"It's hard to say this is the first time they've been discovered, because other people have put out claims of finding them," he said. "But this is the first large optical survey where you look for variability and find them that way."

What if a human fell into a black hole?

"That's a standard problem we give in class to figure out how stretched you get," he said. "If you didn't rip apart initially, you'd get stretched hundreds of feet until you did."

Under Arizona Stadium, a telescope's mirror is being finished that will revolutionize the way this type of research is done, Zaritsky said.

The Large Synoptic Survey Telescope's 8-meter mirror will take images of the entire sky every few nights. The Sloan Digital Sky Survey used a 2-meter mirror telescope.

Zaritsky said the LSST might be ready by 2020.

"We'll see a lot more tidal disruption events," Zaritsky said. "We'll find all sorts of weird things, I guarantee it."

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Wildcats look to build from last game against Lady Blues



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Junior guard **Mariah White** looks to pass in K-State's first game of the season on Nov. 3, when they beat Oklahoma City 63-51. The Wildcats play Washburn tonight at 7 in Bramlage Coliseum.

Kelly Mchugh
staff writer

After defeating the Oklahoma City University Stars on Thursday night during their first exhibition game of the season, the K-State Wildcats will take on Washburn University's Lady Blues tonight at 7 p.m. in Bramlage Coliseum.

In the same way OCU came out strong and ready to play, the Wildcats can expect the Lady Blues to put up a good fight after the NCAA Division II school spent the weekend at the Disney Tip-Off Classic, in Anaheim, Calif., where they placed first.

Currently sitting at 3-0 after their tournament, Washburn's preseason national rank is polled

at No. 11, according to the USA Today ESPN Division II Top 25 Coaches' Poll, which was released on Nov. 1.

In their conference, the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association, Washburn University women's basketball sits at No. 1 and is expected to have another strong season with four of last year's starters returning for the 2011-12 season.

Last year, the Lady Blues went 22-7 and placed second in the MIAA at 17-5.

Returners for Washburn — center Cassie Lombardino, a 6-foot-3 senior, and forward Stevi Schultz, senior — made a huge impact on the team's success last

season, both averaging 15 points per game. During their last game against Hawaii Pacific, on Nov. 6, both Lombardino and Schultz played a big part in the team's

"I don't think this game was anything near what I can do, what I can really do."

Jalana Childs
senior forward

45-point win, for a final score of 90-45.

Lombardino scored 11 points

and with her nine rebounds she earned All-Tournament recognition, while teammate Schultz went 5-7 from the 3-point line.

The Lady Blues have shown that they are not afraid to take shots and can score from the field, proving this against Hawaii Pacific as they shot a 54 percent.

However, making shots is an area K-State's coach Deb Patterson said the Wildcats need to improve on after scoring only 36 percent during Thursday night's game. The Wildcats did not have problems finding makeable shots; it was just a case of missing those shots.

Though the scoring percentages were low for the Wildcats, teammates Jalana Childs, senior,

and Brittany Chambers, junior, both said that they understand last Thursday was the team's first game, and the new players are still adjusting to a new level of play.

During tonight's second exhibition game, K-State will have the chance to, once again, give the new players a feel for the court, and the team will be given the opportunity to connect and work out any kinks before their conference play begins.

After the game on Thursday night, Childs expressed her excitement in getting back on the court.

"I don't think this game was anything near what I can do, what I can really do," Childs said.

Volleyball, football teams show passion on field



Tommy Theis | Collegian

K-State players gather together during Saturday's game against the Oklahoma State Cowboys. After coming from behind, the Wildcats ultimately lost 52-45.

Mark Kern
sports editor

What makes college sports so great is the passion with which they are played, as well as the passion that the fans have for their teams.

Never has a team's passion been so evident than in the volleyball and football teams' games on Saturday.

In Saturday's volleyball match, the Wildcats had every reason to just pack it in. Texas A&M entered the match in third place in the Big 12 Conference and had already swept the Wildcats in their previous matchup.

To make things worse, All-American candidate Kaitlynn Pelger went down on the very first play of match with an injury.

The Wildcats struggled after her injury as they lost both of the first two sets, each by double digits.

What happened next is what makes

college sports so great. The Wildcats were able to battle back against the talented Aggies and win the next three sets and the match, a feat that seemed almost impossible an hour earlier.

Sophomore Courtney Traxson took over when Pelger went out and had the match of her career with 13 kills, a performance that head coach Suzie Fritz said was vital to the team's victory on Saturday.

"I think Courtney Traxson was the big difference for us," Fritz said. "We felt that was an area we needed to attack them and we gave her some balls to hit and she did a great job."

Down in Stillwater, Okla., the Wildcat football team was getting ready to take on the Oklahoma State Cowboys.

The Cowboys entered the game ranked No. 3 in the country and a three-touchdown favorite over the Wildcats.

Coming off a 58-17 loss to Okla-

homa, the experts gave the Wildcats no chance against the high-powered Cowboys' offense.

After a quick 14-0 start, it appeared that the Cowboys were well on their way to blowout victory.

However, the Wildcats would not go away easily and went on to score the next 24 points to take a 10-point lead.

The rest of the game was a back and forth battle as the Wildcats had the ball at the 5-yard line with one second left and a chance to tie the game. Collin Klein's pass fell to the ground, giving the Cowboys a 52-45 victory.

Afterwards, in the press conference, the players were visibly upset about the game, and this was where the passion and pride that they have for their sport could be seen.

All of these athletes prepare throughout the week for their game or match. When teams are unable to

go out and get a victory, it hurts them a lot.

We, as fans, get excited or upset depending on the outcome, but we never truly understand the reaction of the players.

Both of these teams are in great shape at this point in the season. The volleyball team is 17-8 on the season and receiving votes in the latest volleyball rankings. The football team is 7-2 and is still ranked No. 14 in the last Bowl Championship Series standings.

The volleyball team has a great opportunity to get back to the NCAA tournament for the first time since 2008, while the football team has an opportunity to win 10 games in a season for the first time since 2003.

Saturday was an exciting sports day as a Wildcats fan, and it was because of the effort and passion that the teams put on the playing fields.

Two-minute drill

Mark Kern
sports editor

MLB

On Monday, the Kansas City Royals traded Melky Cabrera to the San Francisco Giants for pitchers Jonathan Sanchez and Ryan Verdugo. Cabrera is coming off a career year with the Royals by hitting 305 with 44 doubles, 18 homers and 87 RBIs in what ended up being his only season with the Royals. Sanchez was injured for most of the season last year, but was a key pitcher during the Giants World Series run two years ago.

NCAAF

Ole Miss football coach Houston Nutt will step down as the head coach at the end of the season. Nutt, 54, has coached at Arkansas and Ole Miss and has a 24-23 career record at Ole Miss, including having lost his last 12 SEC games. At the press conference on Monday, Nutt talked about why he needed to step down.

"The thing about the SEC that I know," Nutt said, "they pay you to win."

NBA

Commissioner David Stern gave the players until Wednesday to accept the latest proposal or offers, which will not be as good as previous ones. However, on Monday, president Derek Fisher indicated that this is not going to be accepted by the players. "Right now, we've been given the ultimatum, and our answer is that's not acceptable to us," Fisher told a group of reporters.

BOXING

Former boxing champion Joe Frazier died at the age of 67 after battling liver cancer. He had been in hospice care for the past couple of weeks until he passed away late Monday night.

Frazier, known for his fights with Muhammad Ali, will go down as one of the greatest boxers ever to live. His signature moment was when he handed Ali his first loss in 1971.

Sunday fun-day: students take old-school approach to exercise



Kyle Gowen | Collegian
Ryan Mustain, freshman in business administration, and **John Allison**, freshman in political science, coordinate a synchronized throw in hopes of eliminating an opposing player during a dodgeball tournament on Sunday.



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ABOVE: Derek Laughman, freshman in biological system engineering, and **John Allison**, freshman in political science, prepare to throw their dodgeballs at the opposing team during a dodgeball tournament Sunday.
LEFT: Michael Porter, freshman in agricultural business, quickly retrieves dodgeballs for **Laughman** to hurl at the opposing team during Sunday's dodgeball tournament.

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